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Letter dated 24 February 2015 from the Permanent Representative of Ukraine to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

With reference to Security Council resolution 2202 (2015), I have the honour to bring the Protocol on the results of the consultations of the Trilateral Contact Group (Minsk, 5 September 2014) (annex I) and the memorandum on the fulfilment of the Protocol based on the results of the consultations of the Trilateral Contact Group (Minsk, 19 September 2014) (annex II) to the attention of the Security Council.

I should be grateful if you would circulate the present letter and its annexes as a document of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Yuriy **Sergeyev**
Ambassador
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Annex I to the letter dated 24 February 2015 from the Permanent Representative of Ukraine to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

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Protocol on the outcome of consultations of the Trilateral Contact Group on joint steps aimed at the implementation of the Peace Plan of the President of Ukraine, P. Poroshenko, and the initiatives of the President of the Russian Federation, V. Putin

Upon consideration and discussion of the proposals put forward by the participants of the consultations in Minsk on 1 September 2014, the Trilateral Contact Group, consisting of representatives of Ukraine, the Russian Federation and the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE), reached an understanding with respect to the need to implement the following steps:

1. Ensure the immediate bilateral cessation of the use of weapons.

2. Ensure monitoring and verification by OSCE of the regime of non-use of weapons.

3. Implement decentralization of power, including by enacting the Law of Ukraine on the interim status of local self-government in certain areas of the Donetsk and Luhansk regions (Law on Special Status).

4. Ensure permanent monitoring on the Ukrainian-Russian State border and verification by OSCE, along with the establishment of a security area in the border regions of Ukraine and the Russian Federation.

5. Immediately release all hostages and unlawfully detained persons.

6. Enact a law prohibiting the prosecution and punishment of persons in connection with the events that took place in certain areas of the Donetsk and Luhansk regions of Ukraine.

7. Continue an inclusive national dialogue.

8. Adopt measures aimed at improving the humanitarian situation in Donbass.

9. Ensure the holding of early local elections in accordance with the Law of Ukraine on the interim status of local self-government in certain areas of the Donetsk and Luhansk regions (Law on Special Status).

10. Remove unlawful military formations and military hardware, as well as militants and mercenaries, from the territory of Ukraine.

11. Adopt a programme for the economic revival of Donbass and the resumption of vital activity in the region.

12. Provide personal security guarantees for the participants of the consultations.

Participants of the Trilateral Contact Group:

(*Signed*) Heidi **Tagliavini**,
Ambassador

(*Signed*) L. D. **Kuchma**,
Second President of Ukraine

(*Signed*) M. Y. **Zurabov**,
Ambassador of the Russian Federation to Ukraine

(*Signed*) A. W. **Zakharchenko**

(*Signed*) I. W. **Plotnitski**

Annex II to the letter dated 24 February 2015 from the Permanent Representative of Ukraine to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

[Original: Russian]

Memorandum on the implementation of the provisions of the Protocol on the outcome of consultations of the Trilateral Contact Group on joint steps aimed at the implementation of the Peace Plan of the President of Ukraine, P. Poroshenko, and the initiatives of the President of the Russian Federation, V. Putin

To carry out item 1 of the Protocol on the outcome of the consultations of the Trilateral Contact Group on joint steps aimed at the implementation of the Peace Plan of the President of Ukraine, P. Poroshenko, and the initiatives of the President of the Russian Federation, V. Putin, (Minsk, Republic of Belarus, 5 September 2014), the participants of the Trilateral Contact Group, consisting of representatives of Ukraine, the Russian Federation and the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) and representatives of certain areas of the Donetsk and Luhansk regions, have reached an understanding with respect to the following measures to strengthen the bilateral ceasefire agreement.

1. The ceasefire shall be considered mutual.

2. Both sides' units and armed formations shall halt at their line of contact as at 19 September 2014.

3. The use of all types of weapons and offensive action shall be banned.

4. Within 24 hours after the approval of this Memorandum, all lethal weapons of more than 100 millimetre calibre shall be moved back from the line of contact on each side by at least 15 kilometres (with the exception of those indicated below), including from residential areas, to allow the establishment of a ceasefire zone of no less than 30 kilometres in width (the security zone).

At the same time, artillery systems of more than 100 millimetre calibre shall be moved back from the line of contact to a distance equal to the length of their maximum range, specifically:

- 100 mm canons MT12, by 9 kilometres; 120 mm mortars, by 8 kilometres; 122 mm howitzers D30 (2C1 Gvozdika), by 16 kilometres; 152 mm 2C5 Giatsynt-S (2C3 Akatsia, 2C19 Msta-S, 2A65 Msta-B), by 33 kilometres; multiple-launch rocket system (MLRS) 9K51 Grad, by 21 kilometres; 9K57 Uragan, by 36 kilometres; 9K58 Smerch, by 70 kilometres; MLRS Tornado-G, by 40 kilometres; MLRS Tornado-U, by 70 kilometres; MLRS Tornado-C, by 120 kilometres.

- Tactical rocket systems, by 120 kilometres.

5. Deployment of heavy weapons and military equipment shall be banned in the district delimited by the towns of Komsomolsk, Kumacheve, Novoazovsk and Sakhanka, with OSCE monitoring.

6. Installation of new mines and explosive barriers within the limits of the security zone shall be banned.

Mines and explosive engineering barriers installed previously within the security zone shall be dismantled.

7. As soon as this Memorandum is approved, flights by military aircraft and foreign unmanned aerial vehicles (UAV), with the exception of UAV used by the OSCE monitoring mission, shall be banned along the line of contact in the ceasefire zone no less than 30 kilometres in width.

8. An OSCE monitoring mission consisting of OSCE observers shall be deployed in the ceasefire zone within 24 hours of the approval of this Memorandum. The above-mentioned zone should be divided into sectors, the number and limits of which shall be agreed upon as part of the preparations for the work of the OSCE monitoring mission.

9. All foreign military formations and military equipment, as well as militants and mercenaries, are to exit the territory of Ukraine under OSCE monitoring.

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(*Signed*) L. D. **Kuchma**,
Second President of Ukraine

(*Signed*) M. Y. **Zurabov**,
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Minsk, 19 September 2014